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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 10/737,282

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Enclosed please find an Amendment in response to the October 3, 2005 Office Action in the above referenced application.

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EVAPORATION OF WASTE INK

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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This communication is submitted in response to the October 3, 2005 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due January 3, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

- 1. Amendments to the Claims; and
- 2. Remarks.

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